

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A display device comprising:

a display component; and

a control component for controlling the display component so that a map including a photographing point of a subject is displayed, and so that information representing a photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject is displayed at a position on the map corresponding to the photographing point.

2. The display device of claim 1, wherein the control component varies a display mode of the information representing the photographing direction between a case where the subject is photographed and a case where the subject is not photographed.

3. An image information management device comprising a transmitting component for transmitting a map including a photographing point of a subject and information representing a photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject.

4. The image information management device of claim 3, further comprising a receiving component for receiving a request to transmit image data of the subject, wherein

the transmitting component is configured so as to be able

to transmit the image data, and

the transmitting component transmits the image data when the transmission request is received by the receiving component.

5. The image information management device of claim 3, further comprising:

a receiving component for receiving image data obtained by photographing the subject and data of the photographing point of the subject; and

an associating component for associating the image data received by the receiving component with the photographing point on the map on the basis of the data of the photographing point received by the receiving component.

6. The image information management device of claim 3, further comprising:

a receiving component for receiving the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject; and

an associating component for associating the map with the information when the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject has been received by the receiving component.

7. An image information management terminal comprising:

a display component;

a receiving component for receiving a map including a photographing point of a subject and information representing a photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject; and

a control component for controlling the display component so that the map is displayed, and so that the information representing the photographing direction is displayed at a position on the map corresponding to the photographing point, on the basis of the map and the information representing the photographing direction received by the receiving component.

8. The image information management terminal of claim 7, further comprising a transmitting component for transmitting a request to transmit image data of the subject, wherein

the receiving component is configured so as to be able to receive the image data,

the receiving component receives the image data transmitted in accordance with the transmission request by the transmitting component, and

the control component controls the display component so that an image of the image data received by the receiving component is displayed.

9. The image information management terminal of claim 7,

further comprising a transmitting component for transmitting image data obtained by photographing the subject and data of the photographing point of the subject.

10. The image information management terminal of claim 7, further comprising a transmitting component for transmitting information representing a direction from the photographing point to the subject.

11. The image information management terminal of claim 10, further comprising a designating component for designating, on the map displayed by the display component, information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject, wherein the transmitting component transmits the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject when the information is designated by the designating component.

12. An image information management system comprising:
an image information management device; and
an image information management terminal,
wherein the image information management device includes a transmitting component for transmitting a map including a photographing point of a subject and information representing a photographing direction from the photographing point to the

subject, and

the image information management terminal includes

a display component,

a receiving component for receiving the map including the photographing point of the subject and the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject, and

a control component for controlling the display component so that the map is displayed, and so that the information representing the photographing direction is displayed at a position on the map corresponding to the photographing point, on the basis of the map and the information representing the photographing direction received by the receiving component.

13. The image information management system of claim 12, wherein

the image information management device further includes a receiving component for receiving a request to transmit image data of the subject,

the transmitting component is configured so as to be able to transmit the image data, and

the transmitting component transmits the image data when the transmission request is received by the receiving component.

14. The image information management system of claim 12,

wherein the image information management device further includes

a receiving component for receiving image data obtained by photographing the subject and data of the photographing point of the subject, and

an associating component for associating, on the basis of the data of the photographing point received by the receiving component, the image data received by the receiving component with the photographing point on the map.

15. The image information management system of claim 12, wherein

the image information management terminal further includes a transmitting component for transmitting a request to transmit image data of the subject,

the receiving component is configured so as to be able to receive the image data,

the receiving component receives the image data transmitted in accordance with the transmission request by the transmitting component, and

the control component controls the display component so that an image of the image data received by the receiving component is displayed.

16. The image information management system of claim 12, wherein the image information management terminal further

includes a transmitting component for transmitting image data obtained by photographing the subject and data of the photographing point of the subject.

17. The image information management system of claim 12, wherein the image information management terminal further includes a transmitting component for transmitting information representing a direction from the photographing point to the subject.

18. An image searching method comprising the steps of:
corresponding and storing image data obtained by photographing a subject and a photographing point of the subject;
displaying a map including the photographing point of the subject, and displaying, at position on the map corresponding to the photographing point, information representing a photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject;

selecting, on the map, the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject; and

searching, on the basis of the selected information, the image data corresponding to the photographing point.

19. A database construction method comprising the steps of:

displaying a map in which information representing a photographing direction from a photographing point to a subject is displayed at a position thereon corresponding to the photographing point;

receiving image data corresponding to the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject; and

associating and storing the image data and the information representing the photographing direction from the photographing point to the subject.

20. A photographing device comprising:

a photographing component for photographing a subject and generating image data;

detection component for detecting photographing point data of a point at which the subject is photographed by the photographing component and directional data representing, by direction, a direction facing the subject from the photographing point; and

a storage component for corresponding and storing the image data generated by the photographing component and the directional data and geographical data detected by the detection component.